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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Yajun GUO

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For: CELLULAR VACCINES AND

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 6, 2003, time for response to which was set to expire November 6, 2003. A petition for an extension of time of one (1) month until December 6, 2003 in which to respond is attached hereto along with the required fee. As December 6 occurred on a Saturday, the attached filing dated December 8, 2003 is therefore deemed to be timely. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the

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